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COST (\$000)	FY1998	FY1999	FY2000	FY2001	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	Cost to Complete	Total Cost
Total PE	8,000	12,194	13,027	13,248	13,471	13,690	13,679	Cont.	Cont.
ASCIET	8,000	12,194	13,027	13,248	13,471	13,690	13,679	Cont.	Cont.

(U) **A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification**

(U) **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ELEMENT:**

(U) The All Service Combat Identification Evaluation Team (ASCIET) transferred from General Officer Steering Committee-Combat Identification (GOSC-CI) oversight to the Joint Staff during FY 1998. ASCIET was formed from the OSD-Sponsored Joint Air Defense Operations/Joint Engagement Zone (JADO/JEZ) Joint Test and Evaluation Program conducted during FY 1990 through FY 1994. JADO/JEZ tested the ability of Service forces to execute an effective air defense (air-to-air and ground-to air) network in a tactical environment. Because of the relatively high fratricides (ground-to-ground and air-to-ground) experienced in DESERT STORM and other conflicts, in December 1993, the Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC) directed that the JADO/JEZ Program convert to the ASCIET Program on 1 October 1994. ASCIET ran evaluations in 95, 96 and 97 in the Gulfport/Camp Shelby MS area. However because the Army was dissatisfied with the small maneuver area at Camp Shelby, ASCIET was directed by GOSC-CI to conduct Joint Service site surveys to find an operational area which would better support all four Services' mission needs, and simultaneously support evaluation of all four combat ID mission areas. In addition the area of operations had to support cost effective, full instrumentation for collection of time, space, position information and shot pairing. Based on the Joint surveys, in March of 1998 the JROC selected Ft Stewart GA/East Coast as the ASCIET 99 evaluation venue and directed that ASCIET conduct a four mission area evaluation in the Ft Stewart area. The ASCIET Mission is to investigate, evaluate and assess combat identification (CID) concepts and selected critical warfighting areas on the joint battlefield and provide recommendations that address organization, systems, technology, tactics, techniques and procedures (TTP) and doctrine. As part of ACOM, ASCIET will become the primary demonstration/experimentation venue that utilizes and evaluates operational forces and robust tactical Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Intelligence (C4I) networks. Defense Reform Initiative Directive (DRID) #29 directed a study to determine which "joint agencies" should be transferred to a Unified Commander-in-Chief. The study determined that ASCIET should be transferred to United States Atlantic Command (USACOM). As such, Program Budget Decision (PBD) 744 assigned USACOM as Executive Agent for ASCIET effective 1 October 1999. Subsequently, CINC USACOM has directed ASCIET to continue its surface-to-surface, air-to-surface emphasis with a fix-test-fix approach to air defense in the Ft Stewart area for FY2000. Some future evaluations may take place at the National Training Center.

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(U) PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND PLANS

(U) FY1998 Accomplishments:

(U) During FY 1998 ASCIET did not have an evaluation due to the venue change and to move the evaluation out of the 4th Quarter of the fiscal year. FY98 funding was used for planning, and instrumentation in preparation for ASCIET 99, analysis of 97 data and production and dissemination of the final report for ASCIET 97, contractor support and basic operating costs. (\$8.0 Million) Past accomplishments may be found in final reports for ASCIETs 95, 96 and 97, they include data link deficiencies, CID deficiencies in all mission areas, command and control deficiencies and recommendations for fixing all of the above.

(U) FY1999 Plans:

(U) USCINCOM Implementation Plan for All Service Combat Identification Team (ASCIET) (I-Plan) proposed (not approved by the Chairman) - dated 31 March 1999 is CINCUSACOM's concept and plan for executing the Charter for ASCIET. It establishes the transfer time table and methodology. Describes how USACOM will task organize to accomplish the mission. Currently ASCIET will conduct ASCIET 99 evaluation in the Ft Stewart/East Coast area in the February – March 99 time frame. This evaluation is an increase in scope of the surface-to-surface (from company to battalion size elements) and also an expanded emphasis on surface-to-surface and air-to-surface. In order to meet these requirements, ASCIET changed its venue to a larger maneuver area (Ft Stewart, GA.) for ASCIET 99. (\$12.914 Million)

(U) FY2000 Plans:

(U) Venue selection for FY00 is currently planned for the Ft Stewart GA area. Fiscal considerations dictate that the 00 evaluation be again conducted at the Ft Stewart and surrounding area; however, this is an on going staff effort and will require service component coordination.

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(U) **ACQUISITION STRATEGY:** Not Applicable

(U) B. <u>Program Change Summary</u>	<u>FY1998</u>	<u>FY1999</u>	<u>FY2000</u>	<u>To Complete</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Previous President's Budget				Continuing	Continuing
Appropriated Value				Continuing	Continuing
Adjustments to Appropriated Value					
a. Congressionally Directed undistributed reduction					
b. Rescission/Below-threshold Reprogramming, Inflation Adjustment					
c. Other				Continuing	Continuing
Current President's Budget				Continuing	Continuing

Change Summary Explanation:

(U) **Funding:** Not Applicable

(U) **Schedule:** Not Applicable

(U) **Technical:** Not Applicable

(U) **C. Other Program Funding Summary Cost** Not Applicable

(U) **D. Schedule Profile** Not Applicable

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